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ACTION MEMORANDUM

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Secretary
Patricia M. Derian
Trip to Argentina

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will reject this
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the grounds that
ARA has no
opportunity to say
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Patt accompanying Vance.
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sentence saying ARA
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GOA leaders that you thought appropriate, also renew
my contact with the human rights community in Argentina.

Accompanying you on the trip also would have a
beneficial impact on our own people throughout the
hemisphere emphasizing once more the full commitment
of the Administration to the advancement of human rights
in its Latin American global foreign policies.

Recommendation:

That you approve my accompanying you on your trip
to Argentina.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

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TO: The Secretary
FROM: HA - Patricia M. Derian
SUBJECT: Your Trip to Argentina

As we discussed previously, the trip you're planning to Argentina will have a considerable human rights focus. The trip itself undoubtedly will be criticized by some in that the travel of the Secretary of State to a country which is a major human rights violator appears to offer additional legitimacy to the government in question and implies support for that government. We might be able to lay that false perception to rest entirely and avoid even having to respond to criticism of that nature if I were to accompany you. In that vein, it would be possible for me, in addition to participating in those sessions with GOA leaders that you thought appropriate, also renew my contact with the human rights community in Argentina.

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